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UM VICE PRESIDENT WINS STATE LEADERSHIP AWARD

MISSOULA--

Barbara Hollmann, vice president for student affairs at The University of Montana, has been chosen for a Montana Excellence in Leadership Award 2000 by the Interdepartmental Coordinating Committee for Women.

Hollmann will receive the award from ICCW and Gov. Marc Racicot on Wednesday, May 10, in Helena. She is being honored as a person in the public sector whose exemplary leadership and outstanding efforts have helped women excel in the workplace.

UM President George Dennison nominated Hollmann, citing her firm leadership on all issues relating to women students, her support for the promotion of women -- often to positions previously held by men -- and her innovative workplace strategies to change working relationships in offices reporting to her. Dennison also cites her leadership in areas affecting students' lives, including sexual and mental health and responsible alcohol use.

"Her role in bringing the fraternities to understand the need to move vigorously toward a responsible policy on the use of alcohol and her leadership in developing a student-centered campus have made very real differences," Dennison said.

Hollmann received a Silver Medal Award from the National Interfraternity Conference

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in 1998 for her leadership in getting national fraternity and sorority leaders and campus administrators to collaborate on addressing the need for cultural changes within the Greek community.

She began her career at UM in 1980 as associate director of intercollegiate athletics. She later served as dean of students before being promoted in 1998 to her present post, where she is UM's top-ranking female administrator.

ICCW was established by an executive order of the governor to create positive change for all state employees by promoting the full participation of women in state government. Each year the organization presents leadership awards in three categories: a woman in state government, a person in the private sector and a person in the public sector.

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